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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

National Freedom of Information Act Officer US Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW (2822T) Washington, DC 20460

Dear National Freedom of Information Act Officer:

I am conducting research on the effects of citizen suits on environmental regulation enforcement, and would like to request data on notices of intent for citizen suits filed under federal environmental statutes. It would be very helpful if, for all years available, I could obtain a list of all notices of intent to file a citizen lawsuit against private organizations or government agencies under the Clean Water Act and the Clean Air Act

Specifically, for notices of intent to file a citizen suit, I request: 1.60 of the citizen suit, I request: 1.60 of the citizen suit, I request: 1.60 of the citizen suit in the citizen suit.

- 1. Names of all (principal and other) business, corporate, institutional, or government agencies listed as potential defendants in the notice.
 - Address or location of business, corporate, institutional, or government agencies listed as potential defendants in the notice.
 - 3. Industry (SIC) code of all business, corporate, institutional, or government agencies listed as potential defendants in the notice.
 - Names of all (principal and other) parties filing the notice of intent.
 - 5. Date in which the notice of intent was filed.
 - 6. Judicial district in which the notice of intent was filed.
 - All statutes under which the notice was filed.

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8. An indication of whether the corresponding lawsuit was subsequently filed or not.

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To address any concerns about the release of corporate, business, and institutional parties' names, I can assure you that individual data will be aggregated to conduct statistical analysis, and that names will not be mentioned in any final product of this research. Furthermore, I would gladly sign a confidentiality agreement stating that the names of corporations, businesses, or institutions would not be released, published, or otherwise disseminated.

Finally, it would be very helpful if I could obtain the data in electronic form (Excel, Access, or ASCII format).

I would like to thank you in advance for providing this information. If the charges for the data were to exceed \$250, I would revise the scope of the request. If you have any questions or comments, I can be reached at (541) 737 1473, or by e-mail at christian.langpap@oregonstate.edu.

Sincerely,

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